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REMARKS

Claims 1-41 are pending in the present Application. Claims 1, 22, 30, 40, and 41, have been amended, leaving Claims 1-41 for consideration upon entry of the present Amendment. The Specification has been amended for consistency with the claims.

Claims 1, 22, 30, 40, and 41, have been amended to further identify the axial displacement conditions. Support for this amendment and the amendment to the Specification, can at least be found in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/502,968 ('968 application), to which this application claims priority and incorporates by reference. The amendment to the specification can at least be found on Page 8, lines 1 – 22, and Page 13, lines 1 – 5, of the '968 application.

No new matter has been introduced by these amendments. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the Terminal Disclaimer submitted herewith.

Interview Summary

The undersigned would like to thank Examiner Bernatz for his time and assistance.

Discussed during a telephone discussion with Examiner Bernatz, was a terminal disclaimer over U.S. Patent No. 7,087,290, and the axial displacement range.

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It is believed that the claims herein are allowable to Applicants. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection(s) and rejection(s) and allowance of the case are respectfully requested.

If there are any additional charges with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 50-1131.

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